



Dimitrijevic Report

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MILWAUKEE COUNTY BOARD RESPONSIBILITIES

- Vice-Chairwoman, Health & Human Needs Committee
- Parks, Energy, & Environment Committee
- Intergovernmental Relations Committee
- Personnel Committee
- Milwaukee County Commission on Aging
- Lakefront Development Advisory Committee

COMMUNITY MEMBERSHIPS

- Bay View Neighborhood Association
- Honorary Capital Campaign Committee, Bay View Historical Society
- South Shore Park Watch
- Bay View Lions Club
- Clarke Square Weed & Seed Steering Committee
- Inter-Organizational Council of Bay View
- Bay View High School Alumni Association
- 9 to 5, National Association of Working Women
- South Side Scholarship Foundation
- City of Milwaukee Affordable Housing Task Force
- Bay View Manufacturers & Commerce Association
- Bay View Historical Society
- The Association of Marquette University Women
- Sierra Club
- Board of Directors, Emerge Wisconsin
- American Council of Young Political Leaders
- UMOG Community Service Block Grant Advisory Committee

Dear Friends,

Welcome to our first e-newsletter!! I hope you find these updates and information valuable as we use this new tool to better communicate with you.

If you would like to continue receiving e-newsletters from my office, you will need to sign-up for e-notify at www.milwaukee.gov/enotify. Once you sign up, you will be able to choose what type of information you would like to receive emailed directly to you. You can receive agendas for County Board Committees and also information on City of Milwaukee services and meetings. We will send out a few more e-newsletters directly before making the switch to sending e-newsletters via e-notify only.

From Marina's Notebook:

At our last meeting, the County Board unanimously voted to accept a \$45 million payment from Mercer, the County's actuary during the pension deliberations. Mercer gave incorrect information regarding the future effects of changes to the county's pension and retirement systems. This is the largest settlement against an actuary in the United States. It helps bring closure to a negative time in Milwaukee County's history and we are ready to move forward.

When we met on Thursday, the County Board voted to allow for a pilot this summer, adding a new bus service to the Lake Express Ferry Terminal in Bay View. I co-sponsored this legislation along with Supervisor Chris Larson, and we are happy to have this new service. I think it may also help our local businesses as this route continues along Kinnickinnic Ave.

In addition, the Board approved the land sale at the Milwaukee County Grounds in Wauwatosa to the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee. I voted against this deal for a number of reasons. I would have preferred that UWM instead build within the City of Milwaukee, perhaps downtown on our vacant Park East land. Also, UWM requires less than 10 acres to build the School of Engineering, but purchased more than 80 acres. The additional land will be sold and developed by UWM, something that could be done by Milwaukee County, but unfortunately we do not currently have an Economic Development Director. Lastly, there are many environmental concerns that have been discussed, one being the future of the natural butterfly habitat at the County Grounds. There was not enough done to protect this irreplaceable natural treasure.

—Marina

Project TEAM: Progress is Made

Project TEAM: Technology, Efficiency, Accessibility, and Modernization

Milwaukee County Supervisor Marina Dimitrijevic was recently named Chair of a newly established County Board Committee on Information Technology. The Committee's goal, dubbed Project T.E.A.M. (Technology, Efficiency, Accessibility, and Modernization), aims to increase public access to County government through the use of technology.

"It is time for Milwaukee County to leave the dark ages and allow more sunshine here at the County Board," Supervisor Dimitrijevic said. "I thank Board Chairman Lee Holloway for the opportunity to lead the County's efforts to increase efficiency, conservation, and, most importantly, public access to the County Board of Supervisors."

The Committee will work to develop online access for all proceedings, legislation, and live streaming of public meetings while moving towards a paperless model. Project T.E.A.M. will make Milwaukee County more efficient, save tax dollars and increase public participation, which will lead to a more transparent, accountable County government.

The Committee also includes Supervisor John F. Weishan, Jr. (Vice-Chair of the Committee), County Clerk Joseph Czarnecki, and representatives from County Board staff and the Department of Administrative Services Information Management Services Division.

The Committee's aggressive goals include exploring the broadcasting of all Committee and Board Meetings on television and online, providing all county proceedings and campaign finance documents online, reducing the use of paper, recycling printer cartridges and developing improvements to the Milwaukee County website.

The Committee has met twice now and at its most recent meeting, recommended that Milwaukee County send out a RFP, request for proposals, for a legislative workflow program, something similar to the City's Legistar program. In addition, we received some exciting news about the progress made on listening in live to Milwaukee County Board Committee and Board Meetings online.

To listen in live during a scheduled meeting, please click on the following links:

Live audio of County Board meetings

<http://media.county.milwaukee.gov/room200>

Live audio of Committee meetings in 201-B

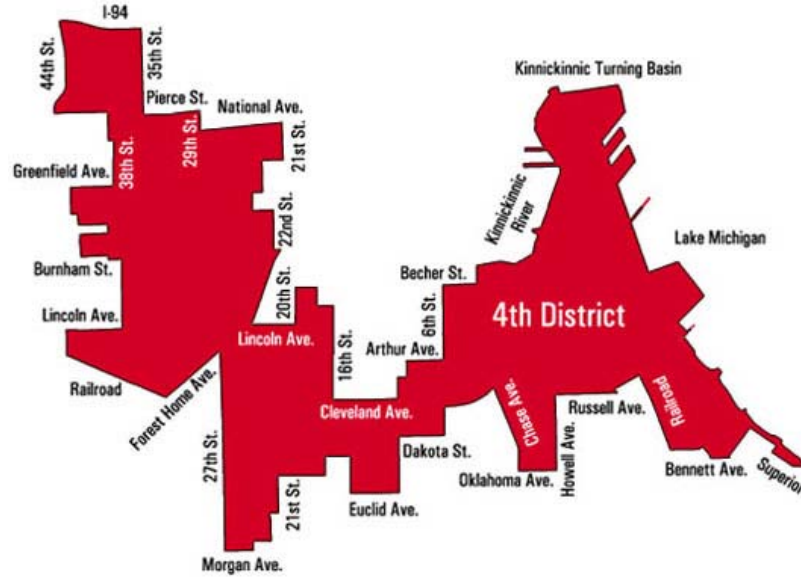
<http://media.county.milwaukee.gov/room201b>

Live audio of Committee meetings in 203-R

<http://media.county.milwaukee.gov/room203r>

"I invite all residents to attend these meetings and play an active role in this modernization process," Supervisor Dimitrijevic added. "Participation from the public is the best way to make sure we are meeting the needs of the Milwaukee County community."

Dimitrijevic in the District



Supervisor Dimitrijevic attended the 135th Anniversary Celebration of the School Sisters of St. Francis and presented them with a congratulatory citation at their international headquarters located on Layton Blvd., in District 4.

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Supervisor Dimitrijevic attended the Annual Beulah Brinton Community Service Awards Banquet to personally thank those who have made a positive impact in the Bay View community.

2009 Summer Youth Employment Program in Milwaukee County Parks

For more information and to apply now, visit the Milwaukee Area Workforce Investment Board at www.milwaukeeewib.org

The Board's site has a front-page link for those wishing to apply for summer jobs with Milwaukee County Parks.

The Milwaukee Area Workforce Investment Board, Inc. is the central location for online summer employment applications, as eligibility for this program is based on federal income standards. Those standards vary based on size of family, source of income, etc. The Investment board must first certify eligibility under those standards.

Applications must be received online by the Workforce Investment Board no later than 4:00 PM on Wednesday, June 3rd. Questions can be addressed to Chytania Brown, Youth Services Manager for the Investment Board at 414-270-1700.

Bikes on Buses

On Thursday, June 4, learn how to mount your bicycle to racks that are being installed on buses. Milwaukee County Transit System, the Bicycle Federation of Wisconsin, Supervisor Chris Larson, Supervisor Pat Jursik, and I will hold a launch ceremony on **Thursday, June 4**, beginning in front of the Milwaukee County Courthouse (10th Street between Wells and State) at Noon. At 12:30 p.m., we will ride to O'Donnell Park. The public is invited to cycle along. At O'Donnell Park, bikers can practice loading their bikes onto the racks. From O'Donnell, we will pedal along the lakefront. Join us at this informative event and receive a FREE bus ride ticket (quantities are limited).

I look forward to all of our buses soon having racks, allowing us multiple options to get to work and other destinations. For details, visit

http://ridemcts.com/riding_the_bus/index.asp?id=1276

Did You Know????

Introducing our "Did you Know?" section. My plan is to bring to your attention a unique and perhaps not widely known service Milwaukee County Government offers that you may or may not be aware of. Also, please send me your ideas for the Did you know section pertaining to our neighborhood or organizations that serve our neighborhood.

Did you know that you can now purchase State DNR licenses and permits from our Milwaukee County Clerk's Office? You can purchase hunting, fishing, and even state park admission passes in the County Clerk's Office. Follow this link for more information.

<http://www.county.milwaukee.gov/WisconsinDNRLicensesInformation.htm>

Don't forget to send your neighborhood "did you know!"

Neighborhood Happenings

(Please mail us your organization's events and meetings for future e-newsletters)

Thursday June 4, Executive Breakfast with Layton Boulevard West Neighbors, 7:30am
Italian Community Center

Saturday, June 6, Silver City Day, 12:00-7:00pm, 33-39th Streets along National Ave.
*Business Specials and entertainment

Monday June 8, South Shore Park Pavilion, 6:00-7:00pm, Public Information Meeting
on Proposed Dog Area in Bay View Park

Thursday June 11, South Shore Park Pavilion, South Shore Park Watch Meeting,
7:00pm

Saturday June 20, South Shore Park, South Shore Farmer's Market Begins!!!

Thursday June 25, Milwaukee County Courthouse, Meeting of Milwaukee County
Board of Supervisors

Chill on the Hill in Humboldt Park

6:00pm Tuesdays

June 2 - Paul Cebal - Opening Night!

June 9 - Sharking Hour/Aimless Blades - Alternative/Americana Double Bill

June 16 - Copperbox - Pre-Polish Fest

June 23 - Pupy Costello and His Big City Honky Tonk

June 30 - American Legion Band - Patriotic and Standards

July 7 - Christopher's Project – Jazz

July 14 - Lumberhorn - Country Americana

July 21 - Sue DeBaco and Wise Fools – Blues

July 28 - Swing Nouveau - Big Band/Swing

August 4 - KT Rusch and the Universal Love Band - World Music/Kids & Family Night

August 11 - Reilly - Pre-Irish Fest/Celtic Folk Rock

August 18 - Mud River Lee and the Bluegrass Orchestra

August 25 - The Lillies/Longacre - Alternative/Americana Double Bill

September 1 - De La Buena - ¡Finale!